

Southeast Parent News

December 2005 & January 2006



Please remember our Giving Tree:

Every year we put up an evergreen tree in the office for children to decorate with mittens, scarves and hats for

local needy families. We are requesting that all donations come in prior to December 17th. The items will be picked up by the Mansfield Services Youth Department for distribution. The children really enjoy seeing the tree fill up and knowing that they have helped keep someone else warm during these cold winter days.

Thanksgiving..... Now is the time to give thanks to all the great volunteers and our wonderful kitchen staff for such a successful Thanksgiving Dinner. Mrs. Sipple always manages to pull it all together for a fabulous feast. The much enjoyed musical entertainment was provided by the second grade students. All grade students and teachers decorated their festive holiday tables for our Thanksgiving celebration. This is always an annual event that is enjoyed with extra special pleasure.

Mrs. Goldberg's class would like to thank everyone who contributed food to the food drive. Your generous contributions not only made Thanksgiving a festive holiday for some families, but will also help support families throughout the winter. As always, the Southeast Community has shown good character through sharing. ---Mrs. Goldberg's Class



Tandem Bike Needed.....

Annie Hasson is an alumni of Southeast and is now a junior at E.O. Smith High School. She will be participating in a 20 mile tandem bike ride in May benefiting Best Buddies International. Best Buddies is a program that pairs persons with intellectual disabilities with a peer buddy. Annie has been active in this program for three years. We are searching for a tandem bike that she could train on with Betsy Parker. If anyone knows of a bike we could use, please contact me or Betsy at school. Thank you for your help.

-- Ellen Hasson

Just a Reminder.....

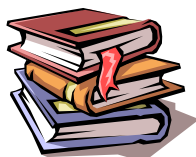
It is extremely important that you send a **note** on the morning of the day your child is going to be picked up. The homeroom teacher must have a note with the parent/guardian signature on it.

If your child is taking the bus to another child's home, you must fill out the green **Bus Guest form**. These forms are due two days in advance and both sets of parents need to fill a form out...the receiving parents and the sending parents.

Absences need to be called in before 9:00 a.m. The **attendance** line telephone number is 423-2793

When **students come in late** (after 8:55) it is necessary for a parent to come into the office and sign them in.

STORIES FOR SOUTHEAST THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING



We would like to thank the individuals below for their purchase of the following books for our school library:

- 10 Little Rubber Ducks... to celebrate the birth of Emily Allison Irvine, daughter of Susan and Paul Irvine, born May 19, 2005... from the Southeast Staff;
- Autumn: An Alphabet Acrostic... for Andrew Leal Thompson on his 6th birthday... from Mom and Dad;
- The Daddy Mountain... Happy Father's Day, Daddy! We love you!... from Bishop, Cooper, and Ashur;
- Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher... for Andy Mikolinski on his 8th birthday... from Mom and Dad;
- Kate, the Cat and the Moon... to Emily Jean Sandall, our magical cat lover and dreamer! Lots of love, Happy 7th birthday... from Mommy and Daddy;
- Meet Felicity: An American Girl... Happy 7th birthday, Chloe! We love you like crazy cakes!... from Dad and Mom and Ward;
- Mouse's First Spring... for Amber Quick on her 6th birthday... with love from Mom, Dad and Joshua;
- No Bed without Ted... Happy 5th birthday, Ward! We love you like crazy cakes!... from Dad and Mom and Chloe.

If you are interested in purchasing a book for our library, please contact Mickey Maheu for information.

OurHouse Works Earth-Friendly Cleaners

You now have the opportunity to purchase a wide assortment of earth-friendly cleaners from the *OurHouse OurSchools Fundraising Program*. This program allows you to purchase laundry, dishwasher, and household cleaning supplies on a regular basis. These hydrogen peroxide-based products are effective and environmentally preferable to many of the commercial products commonly used. They help remove toxic residues from the home, and clean the air and water in the process.

What's in it for your school?

The **Green Thumbs Club** at Southeast benefits from each purchase of OurHouse products in the form of monthly commissions. Every purchase placed with OurHouse, using the school's Program Code, earns a commission of 20% of the purchase price. That's 20¢ on every dollar spent! Since most of us clean our house, do laundry and run the dishwasher daily, each household needs cleaning supplies on a regular basis. OurHouse delivers them straight to your door at comparable prices. The added benefit, of course, is that OurHouse hydrogen peroxide based products are amazingly effective and environmentally preferable.

Here's how the program works:

IF YOU ARE A BRAND NEW CUSTOMER (never purchased from us before):

- 1). Go to Southeast's replicated website:
www.ourhouseworks.com/2131
- 2). Sign-in with Southeast's 4-digit code: 2131
- 3). Select what products you want to buy from the individual product pages
- 4). Proceed to Checkout
- 5). Fill in the required information on the Checkout page, including a username and password that you (customer) make up and have to use when you return to our website and sign-in with, for subsequent purchases
- 6). Complete the order

IF YOU ARE A REGISTERED/RETURNING CUSTOMER:

- 1). Go to Southeast's replicated website:
www.ourhouseworks.com/2131
- 2). Sign-in with your username and password (that you created on your first visit when you used Southeast's 4-digit code)
- 3). Select what products you want to buy from the individual product pages
- 4). Proceed to Checkout
- 5). Fill in the required information on the Checkout page (most of it will already be filled in from your customer record on file in our database)
- 6). Complete the order

Note: If you registered last spring, there is a possibility that your registration was not properly credited to Southeast due to a webpage flaw. If you do not see the Southeast School name at the top of the page after you sign in, then you are not properly registered. You can call OurHouse at 877-236-8750 to correct the situation.

If you do not have access to the Web, you may call our toll free number (877-236-8750) during our regular customer service hours of **10:00 am to 6:00 pm Central Time**. Please remember to give the customer services representative the program code—**2131**—when placing your order.

Calendar of Events:

December 1st...7:00 School Concert
Grades 3 & 4
December 5th...Parent's Hour at 6:00
...PTO Mtg. at 7:00
December 8th...Board of Ed Mtg.
December 15th...Nutcrackers Ballet
Performance at 1:30
December 15th...Green Thumbs Club
December 20th...4th Tuesday Program
December 25th...Hanukkah begins at sunset
... Christmas Day
December 25th-31st... Winter Vacation
December 26th...1st Day of Hanukkah
January 1st...New Year's Day
January 2nd...New Year's Day Observed...
No School
January 3rd...Trestle Tree Begins at SE
January 9th...6:00 Parents' Hour
7:00 PTO Mtg.
January 16th...Martin Luther King Day
No School
January 19th...Green Thumbs Club
January 24th...4th Tuesday Program
January 25th...4th Grade Skating at
UCONN Ice Rink
January 26th...Board of Ed. Mtg.



MANY THANKS.....

To our parents who
volunteer to help during
these busy schooldays.

**And, of course, thank you to our
PTO officers this year –**

**Co-PresidentAmy and Edmond
Chibeau**

Vice President:..... Ronald Baker

Secretary:Monique Brown

Treasurer:..... Lesley Sweeney

Where can you find . . .

- Yearly School Calendar
- Events calendar
- Lunch menu
- Delays and Early Closings
- School Bus Routes
- School Forms
- PTO Information
- Student Work
- Library Media Center
and much more?

Check out our website:

www.mansfieldct.org/schools/southeast

Put us in your favorites!

Through the combined efforts of Mansfield
Elementary Schools and Mansfield Middle
School, our students raised
\$3,864.05
for those in need
by participating in the
Walk for Warmth
and
Trick or Treat for UNICEF

From the Nurse:

It is the season for
cold, wet weather!

Please send your
children in layered
clothing. For your child's comfort
please include boots, snow pants,
hats, shoes and an extra pair of dry
socks. Thank you for your extra
effort.

